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SUBJECT: HIGH LEVEL ATTENDANCE AT 28TH UNGA

REF: STATE 163676

1. BASED ON PAST EXPERIENCE, MAKE-UP OF ROMANIAN UNGA
DELEGATION WILL PROBABLY NOT BECOME KNOWN UNTIL VISA
APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED SHORTLY BEFORE DELEGATION'S
DEPARTURE. PREDICTION IS MORE DIFFICULT THAN USUAL THIS
YEAR BECAUSE OF CEAUȘESCU'S SEPTEMBER VISIT TO LATIN AMERICA
AND WHOLESALE SHAKE-UP OF MFA WHICH STILL NOT COMPLETED.

2. LOGICAL HEAD OF GOR DELEGATION IS FOREIGN MIN MACOVESCU,
A FREQUENT PARTICIPANT AT UNGA IN PAST WHEN HE WAS FIRST
DEPUTY FOREIGN MIN UNDER CORNELIU MANESCU. HOWEVER,
MACOVESCU WILL PROBABLY ACCOMPANY CEAUȘESCU ON EIGHT-NATION
VISIT TO LATIN AMERICA PROBABLY TERMINATING ABOUT
SEPTEMBER 25. HE MAY WELL ATTEND SESSION BUT POSSIBLY
ARRIVING A FEW DAYS LATE.

3. NEXT RANKING OFFICIAL AT MANY PREVIOUS SESSIONS, NICOLAE
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ECOBESCU, HAS RECENTLY BEEN TRANSFERRED FROM MFA TO BE

CHIEF OF PROTOCOL AT COUNCIL OF STATE AND HIS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR GENERAL SUPERVISION OF UN ACTIVITIES HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN ASSUMED BY DEPUTY FOREIGN MIN NICOLAE GHENEA. GHENEA'S ATTENDANCE IS THUS DISTINCT POSSIBILITY ALTHOUGH HE MAY HAVE TO REMAIN IN BUCHAREST IF MACOVESCU GOES TO UN BECAUSE OF REDUCTION IN NUMBER OF DEPUTY MINISTERS AND NEED TO SUPERVISE OTHER ACTIVITIES SUCH AS CSCE.

4. WE HAVE REPORTED SPECULATION BY DIPLOMATIC SOURCES THAT PRESIDENT CEAUSESCU MAY ATTEND UNGA SESSION AS WELL AS SOME COMMENTS IN JULY TO CHARGE BY DEP FOREIGN MINS GHENEA AND GLIGA THAT SEEMED TO INDICATE NO DECISION MADE BUT THAT MATTER BEING CONSIDERED. FRENCH EMBASSY REPORTS QUITE RECENT COMMENTS TO FRENCH AMBASSADOR BY GLIGA INDICATING THAT CEAUSESCU WILL NOT ATTEND SESSION. WE BELIEVE, ON BALANCE, THAT ATTENDANCE BY CEAUSESCU IS UNLIKELY, PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF HIS LONG ABSENCE FROM COUNTRY AND HEAVY PROGRAM OF DOMESTIC DUTIES THEREAFTER.

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